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I hereby certify that this 37 CFR 1.53(b) request and being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service und Commissioner for Patents, Box Patent Application, V	e on the date indicated above in an envelope as ler 37 CFR 1.10 and addressed to the Assistant
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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a ☒ continuation ☐ divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application serial no. PCT/EP00/02998 filed on \_\_\_\_\_ April 5, 2000 \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_ Ilse De Canck; Annelies Rombout; and Rudi Rossau \_\_\_\_ entitled \_\_\_\_\_ METHOD FOR THE AMPLIFICATION OF HLA CLASS I ALLELES, which claims priority to EP 99870068.6, filed on April 9, 1999, and to U.S. 60/138,614, filed on June 11, 1999.

- 1. \( \) The copy of the enclosed papers is as follows:
  - □ page(s) of PCT Publication Coversheet for PCT/EP00/02998
  - □ 61 page(s) of specification
  - 15 page(s) of claims
  - ⊠ 50 sheet(s) of drawing (Figs. 1-8)

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of the prior complete application serial no. PCT/EP00/02998 as originally filed on April 5, 2000.

- 2. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27, a copy of which is enclosed, was filed in the prior application and such status is still proper and desired (37 CFR 1.28(a)).
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4.	Ц	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
5.	X	The filing fees are not being paid at this time.
6.		Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
7.		A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claims in the prior application.)
8.	X	Amend the application by inserting before the first line the sentences: "This application is a continuation application of application no. PCT/EP00/02998 filed on April 5, 2000, pending, published pursuant to PCT Article 21, in English, which claims priority to international application European Application No. EP 99870068.6, filed on April 9, 1999. This application also claims priority to U.S. Application No. 60/138,614, filed on June 11, 1999. The contents of all of the aforementioned application(s) are hereby incorporated by reference."
9.		Please abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this transmittal is enclosed for filing in the prior application file. (May be used if signed by person authorized by §1.138 and before payment of base issue fee.)
10.	X	An unexecuted Declaration, Petition/Power of Attorney to Lahive & Cockfield, LLP is enclosed herewith.
11.	X	Address all future communications (May only be completed by applicant, or attorney or agent of record) toJane E. Remillard, Esquire at Customer Number: 000959 whose address is:
		Lahive & Cockfield, LLP  28 State Street  Boston, Massachusetts 02109
12.		Any requests for extensions of time necessary in a parent application for establishing copendency between this application and a parent application are hereby requested and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee associated with such an extension to Deposit Account No.
13.		Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.821(e), the computer readable form of the sequence listing for this new application is to be identical with the computer readable form of application serial no in lieu of filing a duplicate computer readable form in this application. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.821(f), the content of the paper copy of the sequence listing for this new application and the computer readable form of application serial no are the same.
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